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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (Original): A mounting apparatus for releasably securing an accessory to a support, comprising:

a fabric strap having a fabric strap first hook portion, a fabric strap second hook portion, a fabric strap first loop portion, a fabric strap second loop portion, a fabric strap buckle engagement portion, and a fabric strap buckle; and

a mounting having a first end and a second end base defining a slot receiving the fabric strap therethrough and having a mounting base first curved portion at said first end, a mounting base second curved surface at said second end, a mounting base left slot opening and a mounting base right slot opening whereby said fabric strap is adapted to cinch the support and accessory.

Claim 2 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the mounting base first curved portion is formed on a first end of the mounting base between a mounting base first curved portion left side and a mounting base first curved portion right side.

Claim 3 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the mounting base second curved surface is formed on a second end of the mounting base between a mounting base first curved surface left side and a mounting base first curved surface right side.

Claim 4 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the left slot opening is adapted to receive the fabric strap there through, and the right slot opening is adapted to receive the fabric strap there through.

Claim 5 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 4, said fabric strap having a left end, a right end, a top and a bottom, wherein the fabric strap first hook portion is

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disposed at the bottom left end of the fabric strap and functions to releasably engage the fabric strap first loop portion.

Claim 6 (Original: The mounting apparatus according to claim 5, the fabric strap further including a fabric strap first portion and a fabric strap second portion, wherein the fabric strap first strap portion is disposed at the top left end of the fabric strap and functions to support the fabric strap.

Claim 7 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the fabric strap second hook portion is disposed adjacent the fabric strap first strap portion and functions to releasably engage the fabric strap second hook portion.

Claim 8 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the fabric strap first loop portion is disposed adjacent the fabric strap first hook portion and functions to releasably engage the fabric strap first hook portion.

Claim 9 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the fabric strap second loop portion is disposed adjacent the fabric strap second hook portion at the top right end of the fabric strap and functions to releasably engage the fabric strap second hook portion.

Claim 10 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the fabric strap second strap portion is disposed adjacent the fabric strap first loop portion at the bottom right end of the fabric strap and functions to support the fabric strap.

Claim 11 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the fabric strap buckle engagement portion is disposed adjacent the fabric strap second loop portion and the fabric strap second strap portion at the right end of the fabric strap, and functions to secure the fabric strap buckle to the fabric strap.

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Claim 12 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the fabric strap buckle is secured to the fabric strap buckle engagement portion and functions to facilitate the securing of the fabric strap.

Claim 13 (Original): A mounting apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the mounting base is flexible so as to allow the mounting base to deform.

Claim 14 (Original): A mounting apparatus according to claim 13, wherein the mounting base is constructed of material having a shore-A-hardness of 40-85.

Claim 15 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the mounting base first curved portion has an arcuate surface adapted to engage a surface of a support or accessory.

Claim 16 (Original): The mounting apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the mounting base second curved surface has an arcuate surface adapted to engage a surface of a support or accessory.

Claim 17 (Original) A method of releasably securing an accessory to a bar member, comprising the steps of:

providing a mounting base having: a fabric strap first hook portion, a fabric strap first strap portion, a fabric strap second hook portion, a fabric strap first loop portion, a fabric strap second loop portion, a fabric strap second strap portion, a fabric strap buckle engagement portion, and a fabric strap buckle, a mounting base defining a slot receiving the fabric strap there through and having a mounting base first curved portion, a mounting base second curved surface, a mounting base left slot opening and a mounting base right slot opening;

placing the mounting base first curved portion into contact with the bar member; placing the mounting base second curved surface into contact with the accessory;

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placing at least the fabric strap first hook portion through the fabric strap buckle to form a first loop encircling the bar member therein;

placing at least the fabric strap first hook portion through the fabric strap buckle a second time to form a second loop encircling the accessory therein; and

engaging at least the fabric strap first hook portion with the fabric strap first loop portion securing the accessory to the bar member.

Claim 18 (Original): The method as described in claim 17, further comprising the step of selecting a water bottle as the accessory.

Claim 19 (Original): The method as described in claim 17, further comprising the step of selecting a bicycle pump as the accessory.

Claim 20 (Original): The method as described in claim 17, further comprising the step of selecting a bicycle cross bar as the bar member.

Claims 21-29 (Cancelled)

Claim 30 (Previously presented): A method of releasably securing at least two objects to a mounting base, comprising the steps of:

providing a mounting base having a first end and a second end, a mounting base slot for receiving a cinching member there through and having a mounting base first curved portion at said first end, a mounting base second curved portion at said second end, a mounting base first slot opening and a mounting base second slot opening whereby said cinching member is adapted to slide through said slot and secure first and second objects at said mounting base first and second curved portions, respectively;

sliding said cinching member through the slot;

placing the mounting base first and second curved portions into contact with first and second objects, respectively;

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forming a first loop with the cinching member around the first object and a second loop with the cinching member around the second object; and

tightening the cinching member to secure the first and second objects at said mounting base first and second curved portions, respectively.

Claim 31 (amended): The method of claim 30, wherein the step of forming [a] the first loop with the cinching member around the first object and [a] the second loop with the cinching member around the second object includes the steps of:

wrapping the cinching member around the first object;

passing the cinching member through a first ring in a buckle attached to a first end of the cinching member;

wrapping the cinching member around the first object;

wrapping the cinching member around the second object; and

passing the cinching member through a second ring in the buckle attached to the first end of the cinching member.

Claim 32 (previously presented): The method of claim 31, wherein the step of tightening the cinching member to secure the first and second objects further includes pressing a hook patch on the cinching member adjacent a second end of the cinching member against a loop patch on the cinching member adjacent the hook patch.

Claim 33 (previously presented): The method of claim 32, wherein the step of tightening the cinching member to secure the first and second objects further includes pressing a second hook patch on the cinching member against a second loop patch on the cinching member adjacent the second hook patch after passing the cinching member through the first ring in the buckle.

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Claim 34 (amended): The method of claim 30, wherein the step of providing [a] the mounting base further includes providing the mounting space having a single slot through said mounting base.

Claim 35 (amended): The method of claim 30, wherein the step of placing the mounting base first and second curved portions into contact with the first and second objects, respectively, includes attaching a bicycle accessory to a tube on a bicycle.